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Welcome to New Jersey Gazette

Welcome to the New Jersey Gazette, the collaborative newsletter of three state history-related agencies: the New Jersey Historic Trust, New Jersey Historical Commission and Division of Archives and Records Management.

The title of this newsletter comes from our state's first newspaper, which was born in December 1777 to support the patriot cause in the American Revolution. The printer, Isaac Collins of Burlington, used the technology of his day to produce his newspaper - a hand turned press, rag paper, ink, and cast metal type.



Courtesy of Special Collections and University Archives, Rutgers University

Our newsletter makes use of a far different method of publication, one of pixels, bandwidth, and megabytes.

Although the technology has changed, we hope we remain true to the spirit of Isaac Collins in our desire to provide useful information of interest to the reader.

The mission of the new Gazette is to inform members of the history community about state government initiatives to ensure that our state's past will always be a vital part of its future. The Gazette will be published periodically, delivered to subscribers via email and be available online as an interactive html file or file that may be printed and circulated.

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Finally, we want to salute Isaac Collins, who was born on February 16, 1746 -- 240 years ago this month. Happy birthday Isaac!

Barbara Irvine, NJ Historic Trust

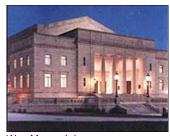
Marc Mappen, NJ Historical Commission

Karl Niederer, Division of Archives & Records Management

History Issues Convention - March 24, 2006

"What's NEW in New Jersey History: The Latest Techniques, Research, and Practice in the Field" is the theme of the 13th annual

History Issues Convention, which will be held at the Trenton War Memorial on Friday, March 24, 2006. The 2006 HIC, sponsored by the New Jersey Historical Commission, the Advocates for New Jersey History, and the New Jersey Council for History Education, will include workshops, an awards lunch, a legislative roundtable, and an exhibit section.



War Memorial

"The Convention this year will bring in professionals from the state history community to focus on such

topics as how museums are exploring new ways to interpret history to the public, how history teachers are using new techniques educate their students, how archeologists are digging up new evidence, how archivists are using the Internet to make documents accessible, and how historic sites are finding new ways to attract tourists." said Mappen, executive director of the New Jersey Historical Commission, "Attendees at the Convention will come away with practical knowledge they can bring back to their organizations."

For more information, visit <u>www.newjerseyhistory.org</u>. Scroll down to "Highlights" and click on the link to the History Issues Convention.

Historic Trust Leads Effort to Establish Historic Preservation Platform

In September 2005, the New Jersey Historic Trust, Historic Preservation Office and Preservation New Jersey reconvened representatives of the public-private partner organizations that developed the 2002-2007 New Jersey Historic Preservation Plan for a follow-up workshop. The purpose of the workshop was to assess progress in implementing the plan and develop a focused agenda of high-priority action items to pursue over the next two years.



Preservation leaders met in 2001 to establish a five-year plan.

The agenda is critical to make historic preservation one of the state's primary economic development strategies that can create jobs, generate income, stimulate tax revenue, nurture tourism and enhance older cities. The economic force that historic preservation adds to New Jersey's economy is documented in *Partners in Prosperity: the Economic Impact of Historic Preservation in New Jersey.*

These five initiatives have the potential to produce millions of dollars in private investment and state revenue, which preserving the heritage that makes New Jersey and its communities special place in which to live:

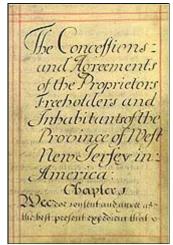
- New Jersey Community Reinvestment Act: Adopt a state tax incentive to stimulate private investment in historic buildings and communities and use private investment as a catalyst for revitalizing New Jersey's cities and towns.
- State Heritage Tourism Development Strategy: Create a state road-map to capitalize on the growing heritage tourism market.
- State Redevelopment Law Revision: Amend the state's redevelopment law
 to require local governments to incorporate historic preservation into the
 redevelopment planning process and make New Jersey's "smart growth"
 even smarter.
- User-Friendly Historic Asset Inventory: Develop a user-friendly inventory of New Jersey's most valuable historic assets to inform and expedite public and private development decision-making.
- Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund Renewal: Extend this landmark fund for another decade to ensure the preservation of New

Jersey's rural landscapes and sensitive environmental resources and the preservation and enhancement of its historic assets and communities.

West Jersey Proprietors' Archive Comes To Trenton

In early December 2005, the Council of Proprietors of West New Jersey formally deposited its vast collection of land surveys, minute and account books, and maps with the State Archives. The collection, spanning three centuries of land sales and settlement in the western half of the New Jersey, was previously maintained in the Surveyor General's Office in Burlington. However, without staff and other resources, the Proprietors were able to make the archive available to researchers on a limited basis only.

Under the depository agreement, the State Archives will now care for the manuscripts and administer public access to them. The Council retains legal ownership of the documents, although the deposit is intended to be long-term (i.e., open-ended). The agreement authorizes the State Archives staff to make professional determinations relating to the arrangement and description (i.e., cataloging and indexing) of the records, reformatting of portions of the



The Concessions and Agreements of the Proprietors, Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Province of West New Jersey in America, 1677

collection (i.e., microfilming and/or imaging), and decisions as to whether the condition and level of inventory of specific documents or groups of documents will allow research use of original materials.

The collection includes eleven large parchment documents dating from 1664 to 1763; 55 bound volumes of minutes, surveys, warrants, and other records dating from 1676 to 1909; 20 cubic feet of loose papers, including survey returns from 1680 to the 1900s; and 52 boxes of rolled maps and plans dating back to the 1700s.

Chief of Archives Joseph R. Klett proposed and negotiated the depository arrangement with the West Jersey Council officers over the last two years. The collection includes the 1676 "Quintipartite Deed" dividing the colony of New Jersey into eastern and western provinces, and West Jersey's 1677 "Concessions and Agreements of the Proprietors, Freeholders and Inhabitants." The deposit joins a large volume of related proprietary and colonial records transferred to the State Archives from the Secretary of State's Office in the 1960s and the complete archive of the East Jersey Proprietors, which dissolved in 1998.



State Archive Collection Manager Ellen R. Callahan and West Jersey Surveyor General William H. Taylor package bundles of miscellaneous, loose papers.

State Archives staff and West Jersey Council members completed their inventory, packaging and relocation of the collection from the Surveyor General's Office in Burlington to Trenton in November.

On December 14, the Council of Proprietors and the State Archives celebrated this historical development with a press event and exhibition unveiling selected manuscripts. The event included short addresses by West Jersey Council President Robert S. Haines, Surveyor General William H. Taylor, Clerk Daniel W. Haines, State Senator Diane B. Allen of Burlington, DARM Director Karl J. Niederer, and Mr. Klett.

For more information on the collection, the State Archives' access policy and the December 14 event, please visit: www.njarchives.org/links/wjp.html.

Passaic on Strike! To Air on NJN Public Radio May 1st

In 1926, sixteen thousand wool workers in Passaic, New Jersey, went on strike to protest a ten percent cut in their meager wages. A new, one-hour radio documentary -- Passaic on Strike! -- brings to life this neglected chapter of the history of New Jersey and of the American labor movement.

Although not as famous as the 1894 Pullman Strike, the 1913 Paterson Silk Strike, or the 1930s struggles of Detroit auto workers, the Passaic episode brings together many of the important themes of labor history, such as the use of force to put down mass demonstrations, the issue of free speech, the role of intellectuals, and the attempt of the Communist Party to organize workers on an industry-wide basis.

Page de propiet de la 1926

Passaic workers on strike, 1926 (Botto House/American Labor Museum)

Many of the most important figures of the 1920s rallied to the side of the Passaic strikers, including writer John

Dos Passos, Socialist Norman Thomas, labor activist Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, and journalist Mary Heaton Vorse. The program features interviews with the late James Shenton formerly of Columbia University, Paul Buhle of Brown University, Dee Garrison of Rutgers University, and Steve Krinsky of Jersey City. There is also an interview with the late Martha Stone Asher, who at age 16 participated in the strike. Actors Phil Bosco and Allison Frasier bring to life the strike based on the writings of the strike organizer Albert Weisbord and his wife Vera Buch Weisbord.

Passaic on Strike! will premiere on NJN Public Radio on May 1 at 8 p.m. . The program is a co-production of the New Jersey Historical Commission and NJN Public Radio. Funding for the program was provided by the New Jersey Council on the Humanities, a state partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the New Jersey Historical Commission. It was written and produced by David S. Cohen of the Historical Commission and Marty Goldensohn of Swarthmore College.

Listeners can tune in to NJN Public Radio at 88.1 FM in Atlantic City, Trenton and Berlin; 88.5 FM in Sussex; 89.3 FM in Bridgeton; 89.9 FM in Manahawkin; and 90.3 FM in Cape May Courthouse, or they can listen online at: www.njn.net.

Historic Trust Hosts Reception at Drumthwacket

The New Jersey Historic Trust recently hosted a reception at Drumthwacket, the Governor's mansion in Princeton, to acknowledge the recipients of Historic Site Management Grants in the 2005 grant round. Deputy Commissioner Charles A. Richman and the Trust's Board Vice-Chair Carolann Clynes greeted representatives from many of the funded sites and commended their efforts to plan for the preservation of New Jersey's history. Attendees enjoyed the holiday decorations, arranged by Garden Clubs from around the state, in each public room of the Governor's Mansion.



Representatives of Mt. Zion Cemetery in Woolwich, with Ms. Clynes and Mr. Richman

In 2005, 40 matching grant awards were made, totaling more than \$1 million. The grant round awarded planning grants, which will enable sites to plan for restoration and repair projects as well as archaeology, design and heritage tourism programs. For a complete list of the projects funded, visit <u>Grants Announcements</u>.

Long-Lost Colonial Documents Recovered At Auction

In June 2005, the State acted decisively to acquire a priceless piece of New Jersey's history. When it purchased eleven lots on 21 June, the State purchased eleven lots of colonial New Jersey manuscripts, maps, and imprints auctioned by collector Jay T. Snider at Christie's in New York City. The collection includes a cache of unique documents originally belonging to Robert Barclay, proprietary governor of the East New Jersey Province from 1682 to 1690. Privately held and essentially unknown to historians for more than three centuries, the Barclay documents now belong to the people of New Jersey.



John Seller's circa 1677 depiction of New Jersey-the first printed map of the colonyerroneously connects the headwaters of the Walkill River with those of the Delaware.

The State's success is truly a story of New Jersey's historical community acting in unison. In the weeks prior to the sale, Joseph J. Felcone of Princeton, the State Archives, the Advocates for New Jersey History, and other New Jersey archivists and historians recognized an unprecedented opportunity to rescue a part of New Jersey's colonial heritage from private hands. It was known that Governor Barclay's record book contained previously unseen documents, including the London minutes of the East Jersey Proprietors from 1682-84—pre-dating the earliest American minutes by two years. Even more compelling, five seventeenth-century maps of New Jersey had been removed from the record book and offered for sale as separate lots. Since these materials were never in the possession of the colonial or state government, the State could not assert a legal claim to them as public records.

Fast-spreading news of the auction led to a dynamic public campaign to compel the State to bid on the Barclay records. Thanks to this concerted effort by the historical community, then Acting Governor Richard J. Codey and Secretary of State Regena L. Thomas authorized using up to \$1 million from the State's Public Records Preservation Fund to bid on eleven New Jersey items. Amidst vigorous bidding, the State prevailed on all of the lots, winning for the people of the state many rare and previously unknown records of the colonization, settlement, government, and mapping



Schoolchildren gather to view the 1684 plan of the proposed town of Perth Amboy at the Morven event, 27 September.

of New Jersey. The price for these treasures, including a 20 percent buyer's premium, totaled \$656,760.

The Christie's acquisition was publicly unveiled in September 2005 at Morven Museum & Garden in Princeton. Acting Governor Codey and Secretary Thomas hosted the ceremonies and opening of "Proprietors & Adventurers: A Rediscovery of Colonial New Jersey," an exciting exhibition featuring the original manuscripts, maps and books. Dr. Richard P. McCormick, late professor emeritus of history at Rutgers University, was the featured speaker.

After the opening on September 27, the documents remained on view in facsimile form at Morven through the end of October. In November, an expanded display was opened in the State Archives' exhibit gallery in the Department of State Building, 225 West State Street, in Trenton.

To date, two articles have been published in periodicals relating to the acquisition, and others are planned. Chief of Archives Joseph R. Klett published a full



The late Prof. Richard P. McCormick celebrates the State's acquisition at Christie's.

transcription of the circa 1684 account of East Jersey's seven settled towns in *The Genealogical Magazine of New Jersey* 80:106-114 (September 2005).

Archives Division Director Karl I. Niederer authored an account of the acquisition

and the Morven event in New Jersey Heritage Magazine, 5:56-58 (Winter 2006).

For more information on the acquisition, please visit: http://www.njarchives.org/links/adventurers.html

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Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund

The Garden State Preservation Trust approved the NJ Historic Trust's recommendations to award \$1.3 million in matching grants to 41 projects in the fifth round of funding under the Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund.

The grants awarded in this grant round were all Historic Site Management Grants, which help fund non-construction activities necessary to improve the planning for and management of historic sites.

Historic Site Management Grants, listed by county

Bergen

Borough of Edgewater, Edgewater, \$27,810 to prepare construction documents for the building's preservation

Burlington

First Presbyterian Church of Mount Holly, Mount Holly, \$49,995 to prepare a stabilization study and construction documents for the former First Baptist Church

National Society of the Colonial Dames in America in New Jersey, Westampton, \$49,155 to develop a master plan for Peachfield Plantation and the Old School House (Mt. Holly)

Trustees of Burlington College, Burlington, \$15,225 to prepare a preservation plan for St. Mary's Hall-Doane Academy

Camden

Home Port Alliance for the USS New Jersey, Camden, \$11,099 to develop a below-deck tour route on the Battleship New Jersey

South Jersey Tourism Corporation, Camden, \$24,000 to develop a Walt Whitman themed bus tour featuring the Walt Whitman House, Pomona Hall and Harleigh Cemetery

Cape May

Cape May State Playhouse, Cape May, \$50,000 to develop a rehabilitation and adaptive use plan for the former Cape Island Presbyterian Church

Cumberland

Greenwich Friends Meeting, Greenwich, \$5,000 for construction documents for the preservation of the Greenwich Lower Meeting House and Cemetery stone fence

Millville Army Air Field Museum, Millville, \$50,000 to prepare a preservation plan and design documents for Millville Army Airfield Hanger #8

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Bridgeton, \$14,972 to conduct a conditions assessment and structural evaluation.

Essex

Newark Museum Association, Newark, \$50,000 to prepare a historic structure report for the Ballantine Mansion Carriage House

Montclair Historical Society, Montclair, \$28,960 to prepare a master plan for Evergreens, Crane & Clark Houses

Borough of Glen Ridge, \$10,500 for construction drawings to repair the Glen Ridge Municipal Complex

Orange Free Public Library, Orange, \$38,325 to prepare a preservation plan

Lincoln Park Coast Cultural District Inc., Newark, \$50,000 to develop stabilization plan for the façade of the former South Park Calvary Presbyterian Church

Deliverance Evangelistic Center, Newark, \$24,497 to prepare a conditions assessment and historic register nomination for the former Temple B'nai Abraham

Montclair Township Free Public Library, Montclair, \$50,000 to prepare a master plan and accessibility upgrades to the Upper Montclair Library

Gloucester

Historical and Educational Lodge-Hall Preservatory, Woolwich Township, \$21,750 to conduct an archaeological survey of Mount Zion Cemetery

Hudson

Save Ellis Island, Jersey City, \$50,000 to develop an interpretive plan for the Ellis Island Laundry Building

Hunterdon

Stockton Board of Education, Stockton, \$22,462 to prepare a preservation plan for the District 98 Schoolhouse

Borough of Flemington, \$18,750 to prepare a preservation plan and feasibility study for Fleming Castle

Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Church, East Amwell, \$39,596 for structural stabilization planning and construction documents

Township of Franklin, \$15,750 to prepare a conditions assessment and feasibility study for the Pittstown Train Station

Mercer

Trenton Public Libraries, Trenton, \$25,748 to prepare a preservation plan for the former Dickinson Mansion, now the East Trenton Library

Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, \$49,995 to prepare a preservation plan

Borough of Hightstown, \$42,298 to prepare a preservation plan and engineering design for the Stockton Street Historic District

St. Michael's Episcopal Church, Trenton, \$26,250 to prepare a preservation plan

Trenton Friends Meeting House, Trenton, \$42,775 for a structural investigation and historic register nomination

Middlesex

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen, New Brunswick, \$43,778 to prepare an adaptive use feasibility study for the Convent of Saint Peter the Apostle

Monmouth

Borough of Manasquan, \$32,047 to prepare a preservation plan and historic register nomination for the Squan Beach Life-Saving Station

Morris

All Saints' Episcopal Church, Millington, \$12,461 to prepare a master preservation plan

Township of Harding, \$50,000 to prepare a preservation plan and construction documents for Glen Alpin

Madison Masonic Lodge No. 93, Madison, \$23,557 to prepare a preservation plan for the former Presbyterian Church of Chatham Township

Ocean

Barnegat Township, \$46,660 for the preparation of construction documents for the preservation of the Mary Etta Cox House Outbuildings

Passaic

Eastside Neighborhood Association, Paterson, \$50,000 to prepare preservation plan for Eastside Park Horse Stable.

Salem

Salem County Historical Society, Salem, \$18,000 to develop a rehabilitation plan and schematic design for the adaptive use of the Alphonso Eakin House

Preservation Salem, Inc., Salem, \$14,552 for construction drawings and oversight for the restoration and adaptive use of the Telegraph Building

Somerset

Presbyterian Church at Bound Brook, Bound Brook, \$29,178 to prepare a preservation plan and historic register nomination

Warren

Port Colden United Methodist Church, Washington, \$27,000 to prepare a preservation plan and stabilization design

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Hope, \$11,021 to prepare a preservation plan and plaza design

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New Jersey Historical Commission grants awarded for FY2006

So far in the 2006 fiscal year, the New Jersey Historical Commission has awarded 126 grants, totaling \$3,968,519. The following is a list arranged by county. Congratulations to all our recipients.

Atlantic

Absecon Lighthouse/IPPA, Atlantic City, \$45,000 for general operating support

Atlantic County Historical Society, Mays Landing, \$7,000 for general operating support

Richard Stockton College of NJ, Pomona. \$3,000 to rights and reproduction fees of illustrations for a website on art and architecture in New Jersey*

Bergen

Bergen County Division of Cultural & Historic Affairs, Hackensack, \$26,000 for general operating support

Friends of the Hermitage, Ho-ho-kus, \$56,000 for general operating support

Meadowlands Museum, Rutherford, \$9,000 for general operating support

Pascack Historical Society, Pascack, \$5,000 for general operating support

Ridgewood Public Library, Ridgewood. \$3,600 to microfilm 28 city directories, 1897-1973

Water Works Conservancy, Oradell, \$16,000 for general operating support

Burlington

Alice Paul Institute, Mount Laurel, \$50,000 for general operating support

\$18,000 to support the enhancement and development of a New Jersey Women's History website.

Batsto Citizens Committee, Hammonton, \$5,000 for general operating support

Preservation Partners, Crosswicks. \$10,000 to prepare a New Jersey and National Register nomination for the Wallace Chapel AME Zion Church in Summit.

Whitesbog Preservation Trust, Browns Mills, \$20,000 for general operating support

Camden

Camden County Historical Society, Camden, \$25,000 for general operating support

\$1,823 to support the development of a new distance learning program*

Home Port Alliance for the U.S.S. New Jersey, Camden, \$30,000 for general operating support

Home Port Alliance for the USS New Jersey, Camden. \$15,000 for an exhibition on Admiral William Halsey, focusing on his time on the battleship.

Cape May

Cape May County Division of Culture & Heritage, Cape May Court House, \$18,000 for general operating support

Cape May County Historical & Genealogical Society, Cape May Court House, \$18,000 for general operating support

Center for Community Arts, Cape May, \$25,000 for general operating support

Historic Cold Spring Village, Cape May, \$102,000 for general operating support

\$10,000 to upgrade its orientation exhibit.

Mid Atlantic Center for the Arts, Cape May, \$397,000 for general operating support

Naval Air Station Wildwood, Rio Grande, \$35,000 for general operating support

Ocean City Historical Museum, Ocean City. \$3,000 for archival supplies and shelving*

Cumberland

Bayshore Discovery Project, Port Norris, \$74,000 for general operating support

Cumberland County Cultural & Heritage Commission, Bridgeton, \$13,000 for general operating support

\$3,520 to conserve the freeholders' minute book, 1798-1844

Cumberland County Historical Society, Greenwich. \$2,299 to microfilm the *Bridgeton Chronicle*, 1837-1850*

Millville Army Airfield Museum, Millville, \$8,000 for general operating support

Wheaton Village, Millville, \$70,000 for general operating support

\$5,300 in support of the research, writing and production of a catalog to accompany an exhibition on the history of the glass industry in Millville.

Essex

Montclair Historical Society, Montclair, \$23,000 for general operating support

New Jersey Historical Society, Newark, \$376,000 for general operating support

\$20,000 for fabrication and installation of an exhibition on the role of the state's rivers in its development.

\$16,000 for an oral history project to interview New Jerseyans about Newark's civil unrest in 1967.

Newark History Society, Newark. \$2,500 for planning of a project to identify archival records relating to Newark.*

Newark Public Library, Newark, \$60,000 for general operating support

Gloucester

Jennifer Armiger, Woodbury. \$16,000 Smith Fellowship for dissertation research on women workers at the Western Electric plant in Kearny.

Hudson

Friends of the Hoboken Public Library, Hoboken. \$1,603 to transcribe two oral histories*

Hoboken Historical Museum, Hoboken, \$64,000 for general operating support

\$14,047 to publish three chapbooks of oral histories of Hoboken residents

\$14,400 for an exhibition detailing the many firsts and special achievements associated with Hoboken.

Hunterdon

Delaware Township Historical Society, Sergeantsville. \$2,000 for an oral history project documenting the one-room school experience*

Hunterdon County Cultural & Heritage Commission, Flemington, \$23,000 for general operating support

Lambertville Historical Society, Lambertville, \$7,000 for general operating support

Readington Museums, White House Station, \$12,000 for general operating support

Mercer

David Sarnoff Collection, Princeton, \$30,000 for general operating support

Genealogical Society of New Jersey, Trenton, \$10,000 for general operating support

Historical Society of Princeton, Princeton, \$95,000 for general operating support

\$15,500 for an exhibition on Princeton's connections to the Civil War.

Howell Living History Farm, Titusville, \$38,000 for general operating support

Mercer County Cultural & Heritage Commission, Trenton, \$10,000 for general operating support

Old Barracks Museum, Trenton, \$47,000 for general operating support

\$12,000 for an exhibition on William Richards, a merchant and entrepreneur of the Revolutionary period.

Preservation New Jersey, Trenton, \$60,000 for general operating support

Rare Books & Special Collections, Princeton University Library, Princeton, \$40,000 for general operating support

Trent House Association, Trenton, \$12,000 for general operating support

Trenton Downtown Association, Trenton. \$14,600 in support of Patriots Week, a series of events commemorating central New Jersey's role in the American Revolution.

Trenton Historical Society, Trenton, \$7,000 for general operating support

William Trent House Museum, Trenton, \$36,000 for general operating support

\$15,000 to prepare an outline and preliminary script for its orientation exhibit.

Middlesex

Carey Library, School of Management and Labor Relations, RU, New Brunswick. \$16,000 to describe, preserve and make accessible the papers of several former faculty members important in the labor movement.

History Department, Rutgers University, New Brunswick. \$9,300 for a conference on the history of industry in New Brunswick and the Raritan Valley, 1830-2005.

Special grant of \$6,050 to support the undergraduate history internship program.

Middlesex County Cultural & Heritage Commission, Piscataway, \$141,000 for general operating support

\$2,500 to fund a portion of the reprint costs of a monograph on New Jersey's terra cotta industry*

Rutgers University Press, Piscataway. \$45,000 special grant in support of the New Jersey atlas project.

School of Communications, Information & Library Studies, RU, New Brunswick. \$5,999 for a scholarship to the Preservation Management Institute for a manager of a New Jersey history collection.

Special Collections & University Archives, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, \$131,000 for general operating support

\$18,000 for continued work on a bibliography of contemporary publications on railroads in New Jersey

Thomas Edison Papers, New Brunswick, \$122,000 for general operating support

Monmouth

Allaire Village, Allaire, \$15,000 for general operating support

Monmouth County Archives, Manalapan. \$10,000 to microfilm clippings from the

Red Bank Register, 1971-1988.

\$1,000 to support Archives Week 2005.*

Monmouth County Historical Association, Freehold, \$111,000 for general operating support

\$15,000 to digitize and make accessible research images from the Pach Brothers collection of glass plate negatives.

\$15,075 to conserve seven pastel portraits done by 19th century folk artist Micah Williams.

New Jersey Caucus, Mid -Atlantic Regional Archives Conference, Long Branch. Special grant of \$8,000 for the archival evaluation program.

Morris

Canal Society of New Jersey, Morristown, \$7,000 for general operating support

County College of Morris, Randolph. \$7,550 for a project to digitize oral histories of women workers in World War II and related material and place it on the college's website.

Craftsman Farms Foundation, Morris Plains, \$45,000 for general operating support

Jewish Historical Society of MetroWest, Whippany, \$10,000 for general operating support

\$10,000 for research and design of a traveling exhibition on Elvings Theatre and its role in Newark's Jewish community.

Macculloch Hall Historical Museum, Morristown, \$18,000 for general operating support

Morris County Heritage Commission, Morristown, \$26,000 for general operating support

Morris County Historical Society, Morristown, \$35,000 for general operating support

Morris County Park Commission, Historic Sites, Morristown, \$92,000 for general operating support

Morris Museum, Morristown, \$37,000 for general operating support

Morristown & Morris Township Library, Local History & Genealogy Department, Morristown, \$48,000 for general operating support

Museum of Early Trades & Crafts, Madison, \$58,000 for general operating support

Nonprofit Finance Fund, Morristown. \$23,500 special grant in support of a work with New Jersey historical organizations on improving their financial management

Ocean

Barnegat Bay Decoy & Baymens Museum, Tuckerton, \$25,000 for general operating support

Ocean County Cultural & Heritage Commission, Toms River, \$18,000 for general operating support

Ocean County Historical Society, Toms River, \$27,000 for general operating support

Passaic

American Labor Museum, Haledon, \$24,000 for general operating support

Friends of Long Pond Iron Works, Hewitt, \$7,500 for general operating support

Passaic County Historical Society, Paterson, \$16,000 for general operating support

William Paterson University, Wayne. Special grant of \$19,200 for New Jersey History Day.

Salem

Salem County Historical Society, Salem, \$49,000 for general operating support \$16,000 for archival processing of several important manuscript collections.

Somerset

Crossroads of the American Revolution Association, Bound Brook. \$13,900 to support workshops at which site personnel would develop interpretive themes and designs for exhibitions and media.

Friends of Abraham Staats House, South Bound Brook. \$7,000 for general operating support

Heritage Trail Association, Bound Brook, \$20,000 for general operating support

John Koblan, Jr., Bedminster. \$1,400 to make copies of his manuscript on family cemeteries and distribute them to libraries*

Meadows Foundation, Somerset, \$18,000 for general operating support

Save Ellis Island, Gladstone, \$30,000 for general operating support

\$15,000 to design and launch an education-based website for teachers, students and the general public.

Sussex

Lenape Lifeways Educational Programs, Stanhope, \$7,500 for general operating support

Montague Association for the Restoration of Community History, Montague, \$5,000 for general operating support

Union

Historical Society of Plainfield, Plainfield, \$11,000 for general operating support

Historical Society of Elizabeth, Elizabeth, \$7,000 for general operating support

\$2,000 for an oral history project on Catholic immigrants in the Keighry Neighborhood*

Kenilworth Historical Society, Kenilworth, \$8,000 for general operating support

Merchants & Drovers Tavern Museum Association, Rahway, \$28,000 for general operating support

Plainfield Public Library, Plainfield, \$21,000 for general operating support

\$10,000 to preserve, print, digitize and exhibit transportation images from its collection.

Reeves-Reed Arboretum, Summit, \$30,000 for general operating support

Union County Division of Cultural & Heritage Affairs, Elizabeth, \$107,000 for general operating support

Warren

Help Our Preservation Effort, Hope, \$5,000 for general operating support

\$2,853 to create a portable display on the history of Hope*

Warren County Cultural & Heritage Commission, Oxford, \$23,000 for general operating support

Out of State

Hudson West Productions, Croton-on-Hudson, NY. \$20,000 to support production and completion of a one-hour documentary for public television on the Bordentown School.

Julia Rabig, Brooklyn, NY. \$16,000 Smith fellowship for dissertation on the role of nonprofit political and social organizations in late 20th-century Newark.

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Grant Schedule

New Jersey Historic Trust: Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund

The Historic Trust will accept applications for the 2006 grant round of Historic Site Management and Capital Preservation Grants. For more information, visit: http://njht.org/dca/njht/programs/gshptf/index.html

Schedule for the 2006 Grant Round

March 30, 2006

Guidelines and applications are available for downloading.

April 10, 2006 and April 12, 2006

Applicant Workshops (check http://njht.org/dca/njht/currentgrantschedule.html for schedule and registration)

June 1, 2006

Applications due in the NJ Historic Trust office by 4 p.m.

Recommended grant awards will be announced by the NJ Historic Trust in the Fall of 2006.

NJ Historical Commission: Current Grants and GOS Workshop

Last year, the Historical Commission launched as a pilot project a two-year schedule for its General Operating Support grant program. The goal of this pilot project is to ease the burden on grant recipients by requiring only one proposal for a two-year cycle, and to offer the certainty of some level of funding for the second year.

What this means is that if your organization received a General Operating Support grant from the New Jersey Historical Commission for the 2006 fiscal year and you wish to be eligible for continuation funding for the 2007 fiscal year, you do not have to submit a new application. However, you must send us an interim report on your current grant. Organizations that do not send the interim report will not be considered for continuation funding.

The New Jersey Historical Commission will offer a workshop on March 3 in the Lounge of the David Sarnoff Library for those organizations planning to apply for general operating support for FY 2007. On April 3, it will accept proposals for one year of funding from those organizations that either did not apply in FY 2006 or were not awarded grants. This workshop will be tailored to applicants for one year of funding. Commission staff will present an overview of the application process, highlighting updates to the program.

The workshop will run from 10:00 a.m. until noon, with registration starting at 9:30 a.m. Attendees are encouraged to bring questions regarding their own

institutional applications. For more information, you may contact Sara Cureton at the New Jersey Historical Commission, (609) 943-3306, or by e-mail at sara.cureton@sos.state.nj.us.

According to Michael Fernandez, acting chair of the Historical Commission, "we want to assess the two year schedule to make sure it meets the needs of the history community." Fernandez added that a respected non-profit organization, the Nonprofit Finance Fund, has been engaged to assess the pilot project, in part through a survey of grant applicants, and that the Commission is undertaking its own internal assessment.

If you have questions or want more information about the grant program, contact Mary Murrin, director of the grant program, 609-984-0954, mary.murrin@sos.state.nj.us.

Conferences

April 23-25, 2006 Northeast Preservation Leadership Meeting

A gathering of Historic Preservation leaders, and Main Street and Smart Growth executives from New England, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey & Delaware

Portsmouth and New Castle, NH

The Northeast Office of the National Trust for Historic Preservation invites you to the Northeast Regional Preservation Leadership Meeting, a convening of leaders in historic preservation, Main Street revitalization and smart growth from ten Northeastern states. We will be gathering Sunday, April 23rd through midday Tuesday, April 25th at the historic Wentworth - by - the - Sea Hotel in New Castle, NH, and in nearby Portsmouth, a true 'poster child' for the power of historic preservation as a revitalization tool.

Neal Peirce, noted Washington *Post* columnist, will join us for a broad - ranging discussion on the importance of regionalism and creating sustainable communities. In addition to a day with Neal Peirce and conversations around successful preservation/smart growth/main street revitalization collaborations, the agenda will also include:

- informal meetings and meals with your peers;
- exploring trends and issues facing us all, and brainstorming solutions together;
- in-depth discussions of issues, including eminent domain, training for Local Historic District Commissions and Main Street communities, community development through small business ownership, and more;
- plenty of time for networking and sharing; and
- Mobile Workshops, with Portsmouth as our learning laboratory .

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Friday, May 12, 2006 HERITAGE TOURISM: Connecting People and Places

Rutgers University, Camden Campus

2006 Historic Preservation Conference

Purpose: Explore ways that heritage can build community and create economic development. Public education and awareness created through heritage tourism support the preservation of historic sites by garnering financial support. May 12th - which falls within both Preservation Month and National Tourism Week - is an opportune time to explore the transformation of the state's rich history and associated sites into unforgettable visitor experiences.

Who Should Attend? Curators, historic site managers, economic development specialists, community development advocates, Chamber of Commerce members, tour operators, as well as individuals with an interest in historic site promotion and preservation.

For more information, visit:

http://www.state.nj.us/dep/hpo/4sustain/sustain.htm

Educational Opportunities

National Trust for Historic Preservation's Great Tours program is coming to Batsto

Monday, April 24, 2006, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Cost: \$55 (includes all materials, lunch, and refreshments)

To register or for more information, call Vonda Givens at (908) 735-8415.

Registration deadline: Friday, April 7, 2006

Host organization: New Jersey Association of Museums

Discover how to create great tours at historic sites in a one-day workshop for educators, interpreters, curators, and directors of museums, heritage areas, and history organizations. This workshop is based on bestselling book, Great Tours!: Thematic Tours and Guide Training for Historic Sites (AltaMira Press, 2002) and is traveling around the country to reach as many people as possible.

Each participant receives a copy of the Great Tours book and numerous handouts. Large and small group interactive exercises are based on a case study of an historic site, providing participants with practical experience. Lunch and refreshments are included.

Upon completion of this workshop, participants will be able to:

- create a thematic tour for an historic site
- integrate material culture and historic biography into theme-based interpretation;
- develop and maintain outstanding guides;
- adapt and respond to various audience types.

These workshops are funded in part by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the host organizations, and sponsored by the American Association for State and Local History and AltaMira Press.

For more information, visit:

http://www.nationaltrust.org/national_trust_sites/great_tours.html

About the New Jersey Gazette

The New Jersey Gazette is a collaborative effort of the New Jersey Historic Trust, New Jersey Historical Commission and the Division of Archives and Records Management. These three state agencies are dedicated to the preservation and promotion of New Jersey's heritage and have come together to produce this quarterly e-newsletter.

The New Jersey Gazette is named after New Jersey's first newspaper, which was first published in Trenton on December 17, 1777. Following in the tradition of its namesake, the New Jersey Gazette will serve the history community and interested New Jersey residents in the same manner. The Gazette is a conduit for the public to learn about the preservation efforts, current history projects and upcoming opportunities to ensure that our state's past will always be a vital part of its future.



The mission of the New Jersey Historic Trust, an affiliate of the Department of Community Affairs, is to advance the preservation of historic properties throughout the state through financial, educational and stewardship programs.

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The mission of the New Jersey Historical Commission in the Department of State, is to advance public knowledge of the history of New Jersey through grants, conferences, research, publications, and media projects.

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The Division of Archives and Records Management in the Department of State, has overall responsibility for the efficient management and preservation of all records produced by New Jersey state, county and local government agencies, and holds in trust the state's rich documentary heritage. archives.publications@sos.state.nj.us

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